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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 5651

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, MILL, CG

SUBJECT: COURTMARTIAL OF EX-BRIGADIER GENERAL TSHIKEVA

REF: KINSHASA 4943 AND PREVIOUS

1. ZAIRIAN PRESS AGENCY (AZAP) REPORTED JUNE 1 THAT EX-BRIGADIER GENERAL TSHIKEVA, FORMER COMMANDANT OF THE CITY OF KOLWEZI AND THE COMMANDER OF THE 14TH BRIGADE OF THE KAMANYOLA DIVISION, HAD BEEN SENTENCED TO DEATH BY A COURT MARTIAL BOARD MEETING IN LUBUMBASHI FOR "COWARDICE AND FLIGHT IN THE FACE OF THE ENEMY." SUBSEQUENT REPORTS INDICATE THAT PRESIDENT MOBUTU HAS REDUCED THIS TO

LIFE IMPRISONMENT IN RESPONSE TO TSHIKEVA'S APPEAL AND IN RECONGITION OF TSHIKEVA'S PAST RECORD OF HONORABLE SERVICE.

2. COMMENT: ACCORDING TO AZAP ACCOUNTS, AND AS REPORTED BY EMBASSY (REFTEL), TSHIKEVA "DISAPPEARED" FROM KOLWEZI SHORTLY AFTER THE REBEL ATTACK. HE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY REPORTED AS BEING IN VARIOUS SHABAN TOWNS AS HE APPARENTLY CONTINUED TO MOVE AWAY FROM THE BATTLE-FIELD. FINALLY TSHIKEVA APPEARED IN FUNGURUME ON MAY 17 LEADING
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A FAZ PLATOON. HE WAS FOUND TO BE SUFFERING FROM HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE, VERTIGO AND SEVERE DISORIENTATION AND WAS REMOVED FROM THE FIELD.
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